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# SENATE BILL 1160

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 21-314 AND 21-331, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO JURIES.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 21-314, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 21-314. Juror questionnaire

5 A. The jury commissioner or jury manager shall use a questionnaire to  
6 determine whether a person is qualified to serve or has valid grounds to be  
7 excused or postponed from service. The jury commissioner or jury manager may  
8 require additional information from the person to make this determination.  
9 The jury commissioner or jury manager may determine juror qualifications,  
10 excuses and postponements at the same time.

11 B. The jury commissioner or jury manager may destroy the fully  
12 answered questionnaire ninety days after the commissioner or manager receives  
13 it.

14 C. The juror questionnaire may be included in the same mailing as the  
15 summons to attend the court as a juror or the questionnaire may be mailed  
16 before the summons. RETURNING THE QUESTIONNAIRE SHALL BE AT NO COST TO THE  
17 PROSPECTIVE JUROR.

18 D. The jury commissioner or jury manager may investigate the accuracy  
19 of the answers to the questionnaire and may call on law enforcement agencies  
20 for assistance in an investigation.

21 Sec. 2. Section 21-331, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

22 21-331. Procedure for summoning jurors

23 A. The jury commissioner or jury manager shall use either of the  
24 following methods for summoning persons for a particular juror pool:

25 1. The court shall order the jury commissioner or jury manager to  
26 summon a specific number of qualified jurors, at random, for either a trial  
27 jury or grand jury panel.

28 2. The jury commissioner or jury manager shall determine a specific  
29 number of persons to be summoned for a court location and date.

30 B. In counties in which multiple superior court locations exist, a  
31 juror shall not be summoned to more than one court location on the same date  
32 and is not required to serve in more than one court location on any specific  
33 date.

34 C. The summons shall be delivered by giving personal notice to each  
35 person, or by leaving a written notice to that effect at the person's place  
36 of residence, with some person of proper age and discretion, by telephone or  
37 by mailing such notice by first class mail, registered mail or certified  
38 mail.

39 D. Any person who fails to appear in response to a notice sent by  
40 first class mail shall be immediately resummoned by a notice sent by first  
41 class mail, registered mail or certified mail and shall not be subject to a  
42 body attachment or fine as provided in section ~~21-334~~ 21-223 unless the juror  
43 fails to appear in response to this second summons. Notwithstanding section  
44 21-301, subsection C, for any juror whose mail is returned as undeliverable,  
45 the jury commissioner or jury manager shall notify the county recorder who

1 shall send a follow-up notice to the juror pursuant to section 16-166,  
2 subsection A, including information regarding possible removal from the voter  
3 registration rolls, and on completion of the notification process pursuant to  
4 section 16-166, the county recorder shall transfer the juror to the inactive  
5 voter list.